

### GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING

# AGING IN COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (AICC) MEETING MINUTES May 13, 2016 10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Arizona Department of Health Services Building Room 005 1740 W Adams Phoenix, Arizona 85007

#### **Council Members, Liaisons and Participants Present**

Becky Brimhall-Lepire, Deborah Hankerd, Lisa O'Neill (Acting Chair), Melinda Preston, Trudy Schuett, Steve Wagner, Christine Bryson-Lazo, Karen Richards, and Elaine Poker-Yount

#### **Council Members Absent**

George Evanoff, Diane Joens, Doyle Meredith, Patsy Gillis and C.T. Wright

#### **Council Staff Present**

Cathy De Lisa, Lizette Cordero

#### **Guests Present and Signing In**

Dan Daley - Captain/Paramedic - C959, City of Phoenix Fire Department, Emergency Medical Services

#### Welcome & introductions, review & approval of 1.8.2016 draft minutes

Acting AICC Chair Lisa O'Neill called the meeting to order at 10:18 a.m. with a welcome and introductions then called for a review of the March 11, 2016 draft meeting minutes. *Deborah Hankerd made a motion to approve the draft minutes; Trudy Schuett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.* 

#### Review & Discussion – DRAFT AICC 2016 Proposed Objectives

Acting AICC Chair Lisa O'Neill Members facilitated a brief review of the 2016 Proposed Objectives recommended by this group at the March 11, 2016 meeting. After a review of the draft AICC overall objectives, Acting AICC Chair O'Neill invited Cathy De Lisa, GACA Executive Director to update the group on plans for the Virtual Dementia Tour® (VDT). According to Ms. De Lisa, the two-day collaboration with Western Arizona Council of Governments/WACOG Area Agency on Aging is scheduled June 8-9, 2016 at the Beatitudes Campus in Phoenix. Up to 80 tours will be scheduled with the target audience of fire fighters and other first responders in response to the Alzheimer's State Plan Goal 3, Recommendation 3.2, Strategies A and D of the Arizona Alzheimer's State Plan (page 16-17). Members were encouraged to share information about the VDT with their local first responders and to

provide contact information with the GACA office. A limited number of invitations will also be extended to state agency leaders, legislators and others. GACA Chair Becky Brimhall-Lepire reported on her participation in the Tempe Dementia Friendly City launch and the group viewed postings regarding the initiative on the City of Tempe website. Following a lengthy discussion of the Transportation Subcommittee draft objective involving the informational fact sheets, Acting AICC Chair Lisa O'Neill reported a draft a template for these sheets would be developed to help the group move forward on achievement of a measurable outcome for 2016.

#### DRAFT OBJECTIVES for AICC

- 1) Assist AICC's subcommittee efforts to achieve their measurable objectives for 2016.
- 2) Assist AD-HOC efforts to achieve their measurable objectives for 2016.
- 3) Assist GACA's efforts to achieve their measurable objectives for 2016.

The Acting AICC Chair asked if anyone had further input on the draft AICC overall goals and objectives. After hearing none, *Deborah Hankerd made a motion to approve the draft (overall) objectives for AICC and Melinda Preston seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.* 

A copy of the AICC goals and draft objectives handout - containing information specific to the AICC as a whole as well as the Alzheimer's Subcommittee and the Transportation Subcommittee - is available through the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging office. In addition, the Virtual Dementia Tour® (VDT) flyer is available through the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging office.

#### Review & Discussion - DRAFT Objectives for Alzheimer's Subcommittee

As part of the draft objectives of the Alzheimer's Subcommittee, Dan Daley, Captain/Paramedic – C959, City of Phoenix Fire Emergency Medical Services was asked to provide information on the work that he is doing. Captain Daley reported he is the liaison officer who mediates issues between hospitals, the fire department and first responders. Mr. Daley discussed the need for hospitals to become more aging friendly as well as efforts to have dementia designations - certain locations (hospitals) where first responders can transfer patients with dementia. This would expedite transfers, create less confusion and patients would receive appropriate care for their respective diagnosis. Mr. Daley stated first responders do generally have a good dialogue with providers; however, the dialogue needs improvement with some types of facilities.

In follow up to the earlier reporting, Acting AICC Chair asked for further edits or suggestions for the draft objectives of the Alzheimer's Subcommittee, only. It was suggested that the second draft objective read: "Appoint council member to regularly attend the City of Tempe "Dementia Friendly City" meeting and report back to subcommittee on their progress."

#### DRAFT OBJECTIVES for ALZHEIMER'S SUBCOMMITTEE as edited:

- 1) Organize and implement a 2-day Virtual Dementia Tour® (VDT), in partnership with WACOG. Eighty invited guests will increase their knowledge of and sensitivity to people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia through a facilitated 20 minute dementia simulation.
- 2) Appoint council member to regularly attend the City of Tempe "Dementia Friendly City" meetings and report back to subcommittee on their progress.

With the suggestion provided, the Acting AICC Chair called for a vote. *Trudy Schuett made a motion to approve the DRAFT Objectives for the Alzheimer's Subcommittee, as edited; Elaine Poker-Yount seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.* 

#### **Draft Objectives for Transportation Subcommittee**

Based on the earlier prolonged dialogue, the Acting AICC Chair asked the group if any further input was needed.

#### DRAFT OBJECTIVES for TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE

1) Create four information fact sheets (single page, double sided) on transportation models, best-practices and resources by Arizona regions to be part of GACA's marketing materials.

As a result of continued confusion expressed on the part of a GACA member, Acting AICC Chair O'Neill tabled the action on the draft objective for the subcommittee and reported a vote would be taken at the July AICC meeting specific to the Transportation Subcommittee.

#### **Subcommittee Discussions**

To include: What can AICC members do to support 2016 objectives?

The group briefly discussed sharing contact information for local first responders related to the Virtual Dementia Tour® and helping identify any new transportation resources for the transportation objectives. In addition, Karen Richards, member of the Arizona Falls Prevention Coalition's steering committee, offered to provide an update on national falls prevention efforts. Captain Daley offered to provide a presentation on the programs of the City of Phoenix Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services.

## <u>Discussion & Assignments of Tasks Related to Objective Prior to Next AICC Meeting & During Summer</u>

New GACA member, Steve Wagner will be reporting back to the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging and the committees as a member of the Attorney General's Taskforce Against Senior Abuse (TASA) and will share information on collaborative efforts with the Arizona Department of Health Services to create a dementia designation so that first responders know where to take patients for best practice care.

#### **Suggestions for AICC-Related Presentations & Speakers**

Trudy Schuett suggested having a pain management physician present on pain management and substance abuse related to prescribed pain medications; Cathy De Lisa reported the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family has current statistics on addiction and older adults in Arizona and suggested having that office participate in such discussion.

Karen Richards suggested having Dr. Alicia Mangram, Director of HonorHealth's G60 program; provide an update on the geriatric trauma program at a future meeting.

Melinda Preston suggested AICC receive an update on Az Links and efforts to make referral information and assistance available to those without computers.

## Report Out & Discussion - AICC-related research, conferences, workshops, seminars, training opportunities, best practices, etc.

Becky Brimhall-Lepire reported on a survey received from the Assistant Director of DES Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) on five key areas; her participation in an ethics workshop held on May 5 at the Beatitudes Campus and the AZ4A conference in Flagstaff on May 19-20, as well as the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual legal services and ombudsman training to be held at the Flinn Foundation sponsored by DES/DAAS.

Cathy De Lisa, reminded the committee of the upcoming Virtual Dementia Tour® on June 8-9, 2016 at the Beatitudes Campus. The Governor's Advisory Council on Aging office will be scheduling appointments, and the intent is to target first responders – fire and police personnel.

Elaine Poker-Yount from Visiting Angels stated she will distribute the VDT flyer and spread the word in Mesa regarding the Virtual Dementia Tour® event and that Visiting Angels is providing memory screenings.

Deborah Hankerd reported she will also distribute the Virtual Dementia Tour® flyer to first responders in Tombstone. Ms. Hankerd gave an update on the Pig Raffle Fundraiser that raised \$2,500 for much needed equipment and supplies for the Firehouse Senior Center in Tombstone. A copy of the newsletter distributed by Ms. Hankerd is available through the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging.

Christine Bryson-Lazo reported the Adult Incontinent Supply Bank is doing well. Suppliers are needed from Metro Phoenix to Flagstaff. The preference of supplies is pull ups versus tabs.

#### Adjourn

Acting AICC Chair Lisa O'Neill adjourned the meeting at 11:51 a.m.

**NEXT MEETING**: The next meeting of the Aging in Community Committee of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging is scheduled for July 8, 2016; time and location to be announced by public meeting notice posted at the GACA website <a href="http://govtrans.az.gov/gaca/">http://govtrans.az.gov/gaca/</a>. These meetings are open to the public.